FISCAL NOTE

SB 2464 - HB 3040

March 15, 2002

SUMMARY OF BILL: Creates the "Volunteer Tax Fund" as a separate account of the state general fund. Requires the Commissioner of Revenue to administer the Volunteer Tax Fund. Requires on April 1st of each year, the Comptroller of the Treasury, the State Treasurer, and the Secretary of State, to provide notification to the public of the existence of the Volunteer Tax Fund and that notifications may be made to support education, health care, or any other purpose or function of government, in order to provide greater equity in taxation. Requires such notification to include an address to which contributions may be made, and that it state that a deduction made before the end of a taxpayer's federal tax year is deductible from federal income taxes for that year.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Revenues - Less Than \$100.000

Increase State Expenditures - \$25,000 Recurring \$18,300 One-Time

Estimate assumes:

- An increase in state revenues estimated at less than \$100,000 resulting from voluntary contributions to the Volunteer Tax Fund. A similar fund created by Executive Order of the Governor of Arkansas, collected \$500 in the first month of operation.
- An increase in state expenditures based on the following:
 - a recurring cost of \$25,000 in the Secretary of State's Office to publish the notification in newspapers of general circulation across the state.
 - a one-time increase in state expenditures of \$18,300 for MIS systems changes in the Department of Revenue to the tax collection system to accept, distribute and apportion the funds correctly and supply the taxpayers with a receipt of payments made.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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